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Re: U.S. Patent Application
Appl. No. 09/769,439; Filed: January 26, 2001
For: **Kit for Transvenously Accessing the Pericardial Space Via the Right Atrium (As Amended)**
Inventors: Verrier *et al.*
Our Ref: 1565.0020002

Sir:

In reply to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers--Filing Date Granted dated April 4, 2001, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers--Filing Date Granted;
2. A Request to Approve Drawings (with a copy of Interim Waiver for Mounting Photographs - OG Date: 15 May 2001); and
3. Return postcard.

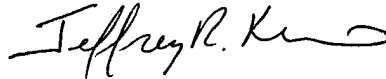
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The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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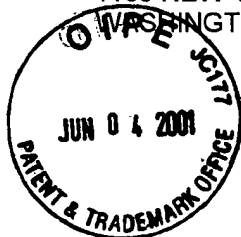
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NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

Filing Date Granted

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawings submitted to the Office are not electronically reproducible. Drawing sheets must be submitted on paper which is flexible, strong, white, smooth, non-shiny, and durable (see 37 CFR 1.84(e));

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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Request to Approve Drawings

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Sir:

Applicants file this paper in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, mailed April 4, 2001. In the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, the Patent Office objected to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.84(e) for being printed on shiny paper. However, Applicants wish to direct the Office's attention to the Interim Waiver for Mounting Photographs- OG Date: 15 May 2001 (Copy enclosed). Specifically, this notice indicates that the requirements under 37 CFR 1.84(e) are lifted. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the formal drawings submitted January 26, 2001 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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